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WHERE CAN I VOTE?

- Early Voting
Oct. 22-26, Mon.-Fri., 8 a.m. - 5 p.m.
Oct. 27, Sat., 7 a.m. - 7 p.m.
Oct. 28, Sun., 11 a.m. - 4 p.m.
Oct. 29-31, Mon.-Wed., 8 a.m. - 5 p.m.
Nov. 1-2, Thu.-Fri., 7 a.m. - 7 p.m.
Locations: Bob Duncan Ctr. (2800 S. Center St.); South Service Ctr. (1100 SW Green Oaks Blvd.); Fire Training Ctr. (5501 Ron McAndrew Dr.); Northeast Branch Library (1905 E. Brown Blvd.); City of Arlington Municipal Bldg. (101 W. Abram St.)

- Regular Voting
Nov. 6, Tue., 7 a.m. - 7 p.m.
On Election Day, voters must cast ballots in their precinct polling location.
Election Day information by location and precinct number can be found on the City Secretary's Office webpage: www.arlingtontx.gov/citysecretary/index.html

WHERE CAN I LEARN MORE?

- www.arlingtontx.gov
- Texas Local Government Code, Chapter 363, www.tlo2.tlc.state.tx.us/statutes/lg.toc.htm

Temporary Board of Directors

The Arlington City Council appointed a seven-member temporary Board of Directors comprised of Arlington residents Doreen Bruner, Val Gibson, Marie McBride, Sue Phillips, Jamal Qaddura, Pat Struble and Dennis Wiles. The temporary Board elected Doreen Bruner to serve as Chair.

The purpose of the temporary Board was to formulate a two-year Crime Control Plan and two-year Budget Plan.

Meetings were held August 15, August 20, August 22, August 27 and August 29. Public input was provided at all but the first meeting.

Additionally, members of the temporary Board participated in the Mayor & City Hall at The Parks Mall on August 25 to provide information to the community.

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Crime Control and Prevention District



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Arlington's Strategy

The Arlington Crime Control and Prevention District (ACCPD) was proposed during budget discussions for fiscal year 2008 in order to supplement current resources devoted to public safety and quality-of-life issues. The ACCPD's boundaries reflect the boundaries of the entire city of Arlington making it a city-wide organization.

As required by state law, the City Council appointed a seven-member temporary Board of Directors to develop and approve the initial two-year crime control and budget plans for the ACCPD. The ACCPD Board and City staff worked together to develop the proposed crime control plan that includes a detailed list of city-wide crime control and prevention strategies to be supported by the ACCPD and the method of annually evaluating the

effectiveness and efficiency of individual crime control and prevention strategies.

The Board conducted a public hearing and approved both the two year budget and crime control plans, and presented them to the City Council. The budgeted income during the first 12 months of collection is approximately \$5.8 million. If approved by voters, implementation with initial funding will be in May 2008.

On August 28, 2007, the City Council held a public hearing to receive community input, and approved the proposed two-year crime plan and budget plan.

On November 6, 2007, Arlington voters can vote on the creation of the ACCPD and adoption of a 1/8 % local sales and use tax to finance the ACCPD.



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Public Safety:

Year 1 - \$3,113,809, Year 2 - \$3,493,840

- **H.E.A.T. (Hot-Spot Enforcement and Assistance Teams): 12 officers.** Two six-officer teams are proposed to provide a HEAT Team for each police district and special commercial corridor enforcement. The Police Department assigns Hotspot Enforcement Assistance Teams to work in areas with specific criminal enforcement needs, such as focused enforcement and operations or targeting known violent offenders.
- **Neighborhood Patrols: 24 officers.** Four six-officer teams are proposed to create neighborhood patrol units for each police district. Increased staffing in this area will allow for foot and bicycle patrols within neighborhoods.
- **Gang, Narcotics and Sex Offender Enforcement: 7 officers.** They will engage in monitoring initiatives and will focus additional resources on the criminal acts that most often target and endanger youth and young adults.
- **School Resource and Community Outreach: 5 officers.** These programs will offer identified youth alternatives to engaging in criminal behavior.
- **Bomb Squad/Arson Investigations: 3 Fire Investigator/Inspector/EOD technicians.** This program will cross-train three new technician positions in fire inspection, arson investigation and explosives ordnance disposal.
- **Community Court: 1 Municipal Court Judge, 1 Community Prosecutor, 1 Paralegal, 1 Court Clerk.** This is a specifically dedicated Municipal Court resource to act as a Community Court that adjudicates quality-of-life offenses that contribute to the deterioration of local neighborhoods. While the other Arlington municipal courts will also supplement the Community Court in hearing these quality-of-life offenses, the Community Court's primary focus will be to support the plan initiatives.
- **Parks Community Policing Program: funding for additional security staffing.** This program provides additional patrol by park staff, police officers, and private security officers in city parks and on city property.



Program Support: Year 1 - \$137,500, Year 2 - \$144,250

- **Information Technology:** This funding will provide support to all initiatives, software programs and hardware equipment, as well as the development of online resources for neighborhoods.
- **Annual Audit:** Texas State Law requires an annual audit of the Crime Control and Prevention District by an independent auditor.



Code Enforcement/Neighborhood Improvements: Year 1 - \$1,239,047, Year 2 - \$1,176,787

- **Neighborhoods: 2 Neighborhood Coordinators, 1 Neighborhood Coordinator Manager.** These individuals will work to build and strengthen community watch groups and neighborhood associations.
- **Code Enforcement: 3 Community Service Inspectors, 1 Neighborhood Geographic Analyst.** Three new Community Service Inspectors (CSI) will increase the total number of Inspectors to 26 (including four new positions authorized in the FY08 Budget). The target goal is one CSI per police beat, in order to provide adequate neighborhood coverage; there are currently 28 police beats.
- **Neighborhood Safety/Graffiti Removal: supplies and equipment.** Additional supplies and equipment will be provided to remove graffiti throughout the community.
- **Targeted Neighborhood Infrastructure Improvements: sidewalks and street lights.** This funding will be used in a targeted manner to repair or replace sidewalks and street lights.

Youth, Family & Senior Initiatives: Year 1 - \$450,000, Year 2 - \$450,000

- **Senior Savvy Computer and Fraud Protection Programs: Funding for equipment and programming.** The series will include basic computer skills, Internet and email skills, as well as instruction on "staying safe" on the Internet or while using email in the senior activity centers, the recreation centers and the libraries. Ongoing free computer fraud/identity theft workshops will also be held each quarter in numerous locations for seniors already possessing basic computer skills.
- **Youth Sports Programs.** Funding in this area will provide scholarships to identified children and youth for sports leagues at City recreation centers and sports fields.
- **After-School Program.** After-school programs for junior high school students will be offered in two school locations in year one, and expanded to two more locations at recreation centers in year two (for a total of four locations.) Each location will have the capacity to serve 60 youth.
- **Teen Program.** Teen Program Coordinator, supplies and equipment. Funding will be used to fund teen centers at two recreation centers. A Teen Program Coordinator will administer the four recreation centers and teen programs.
- **Camp Scholarships.** Funding would be used to provide scholarships to summer camps for identified children and youth.
- **Literacy Initiative: 1 Literacy Coordinator.** The Literacy Coordinator would administer a library-based literacy program providing one-on-one tutoring in reading and math skills by volunteer tutors. The Literacy Coordinator will also coordinate and administer literacy programming for approximately 2,500 clients on an annual basis and support other community literacy programs such as LIFT, Hope Tutoring and ESL classes.